LINCOLN'S GRADUATES WIN PRAISE.

Finished Productions Mark the Col-High School's Third Commencement.

MUSICAL NUMBERS A FEATURE

The Cathedral Righ School's Picnic Yesterday-Leo Thornton the First Graduate.

The last of this year's commence ments in this section was the third an-nual commencement of Lincoln high chool, colored, held at the Grand Opera House last night. The house was com fortably filled and every person who was fortunate enough to have been present, left the theatre with an air of satisfaction and praise for the graduates. Professor Fleming B. Jones, as well as Miss Beatrice Cox, teacher of the high school, came in for a good share of congrutulations.

The stage was decorated with potted plants, making a very protty appearance. Those occupying soats on the stage were Superintendent W. H. Anderson, Professor Flaming B. Jones and Rev. J. W. Waters.

The feativities were opened by a beautiful overture by the Opera House orchestra, whereupon the class of five graduates, Georgia Anna Lee, Gra Mae Glascow, Mamie Lavenia Fields, Edna Regenia Jones and Ethel Jeansite Mc-Mechen, and thirty-four pupils walked upon the stage and took their scata. The invocation was offered by Rev. J.

prise and stupefaction, that through someone's fault the street railway frunchise had been allowed to lapse by default, and that another syndicate. In which were the Sands and other Wheeling people, had secured a new street railway franchise from the Fairmont council. The average man would have come to terms with the newcomers, but McMechen wasn't built that way. Casting his eye over the legal directory, he picked out "Johnny" Howard, and soon the pair were hieing themselves to the Marion county metropolis. More working of the wires, and Mr. Howard was found making an eloquent plea before the Fairmont council for Client McMechen, who "had invested his money in an electric light plant only for the purpose of running a street railway in connection." The eloquence and persuasive powers of the willy Howard were given full play, and is it surprising that the Fairmont council succumbed? In a lifty, another franchischad been voted to McMechen and his associates—over the same streets as that granted the Sands combination.

Here was a peculiar situation, and Mr. McMechen came to the conclusion W. Waters, of the Waymen M. E. congregation, and it was followed by an oration "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy," by Ethel Jeanette McMechen. Said she: "Hannibal with 102,000 men started across the Alps. He and his man knew the march to be dangerous, but in softof this they marched on and on, and after untold privations and three-fourths of the army perished, 24,000 man reached Eturia, Italy." Thence Miss Mc-Mechen drifted into an able argument for the use of the quality of perseverance. The life of Frederick Douglass was pointed out as an inspiration, and the speaker closed with a glowing tribute to that great colored American.

that granted the Sands combination.

Here was a peculiar situation, and Mr. McMechen came to the conclusion that the company first getting its tracks laid would have what the speculative fraternity call a "cinch." Calling in his friend Hazlett, who has an eye for sights, the entemprising McMechen got over to Fairmont again, and began pulling the wires at a great rate. In some way, that reminds one of Alladin and his wonderful lamp, some seventy or eighty Italians gathered on the bridge near Skinner's tavern. Wednesday night, and just as the midnight hour was rung in and Fairmont was The recitation of "The Painter of Se-ville," by Edna Regina Jones, was a very able effort. Miss Jones convinced her hearers by her gestures and distinct expressions that this difficult number was placed in proper hands. She was liberally applauded and presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

The chorus "The Red Scarf," by an

augmented chorus of thirty-nine voices. assisted by Miss Beulah McCullough, Wheeling's best colored contralto, gradnate of the class of 1895, from Lincoln school, was a very tuneful rendition. The voices displayed very careful training under the efficient direction of Miss

Lucy Robinson.
An oration, "Et tu Brute," by Ora Mae Glascow, was a very brilliant num-

"Julius Caesar was one of the most noted men of the age; his life reads like fiction; he was a man of great power and a student of languages, an orator, historian, grammarian and general. He was elevated to an honorable position and gained the undisputed mastery of Rome. Any man who succeeds will find selfish opposition and create enemies, as did Caesar. Brutus made his submission to Caesar, who spared his life. man of worth, his love for Caesar was second to Rome. The permanence of the republic of Rome was loved by Brutus. Great Caesar fell a victim of ambition and as a victim of treachery he cried 'Et tu Brute,' Thou too, Brutus'. Who can you trust, if not your friend! sesar loved Brutus for his manly charcter and thought him to be the last man to do him an injury. Imagine his amazement to see the uplifted dagser Caesar was a leader and a reformer and was able to control the turbatent elements of Rome. So far as Roman lib-erty was concerned, Caesar loved it." Ambition was dilated upon very effectively at the close of this very interesting oration.

The soprano solo, "The Huntsman's Horn," by Luia Gardner, had to be dispensed with, owing to her inability to be The Opera House orcheste filled this number with a pretty over-

"Zingarelia," a recitation by Georgia Anna Lee, attired as a gypsy flower girl, with tamborine and basket of flowers, was a very dramatic production. Miss Lee displayed marked elecutionary training

"Watchman, Tell us of the Night," was the theme of an oration by Miss Mamie Lavenia Fields. The question of the agnosticism of Robert Ingersoll was dilated upon. The present wars now going on in the various parts of the world were also alluded to. Miss Fields did not believe in settling international disputes by a war, but ad vanced the theory of a peace congress or arbitration, and hoped to find nations as well as capital and labor at a future time smoking the pipe of peace to-

Superintendent W. H. Anderson, of the city schools next proceeded with the long looked for event by the graduates the distribution of their diplomas, after which the chorus, "Swiss Falk Song, as rendered by the chorus. This num ber certainly was a gem.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. W. Waters, which closed the official school year of Lincoln high school.

CATHEDRAL CADETS PICNIC

And Hold Athletic Sports at Fair Grounds - Two Graduates This Year.

The Cathedral high school closed yesterday and the occasion was celebrated by a picnic at the state fair grounds that lasted all day. This school is comparatively a new institution and the first graduates were ushered forth yes-terday. They were two in number, Leo Thernton and Joseph Nolte, but only

the former completed the high school DAYTON LANDS. department course and he enjoys the distinction of being the school's first graduate. Mr. Noite completed the commercial department. Rev. Father Moye presented the diplomas, and Mr. Thornton was given a medal for general professory.

Heens."

The half-mile bicycle race was won by Blake, time, 1:27. Gilhooly captured the 100-yard dash, time, 11 seconds. In the 880-yard dash, time, 2:28. The fair-sized crowd in attendance spent the day enjoyably and the affair was quite a success.

BIRNEY M'MECHEN'S COUP.

The Wheeling Man Shows Fairmont

Days-Two Wheeling Companies

Birney K. McMechen and County En-gineer Robert Haglett returned from

Fairmont last night, after the former

had worked a coup that added 100 per

cent to the speed of the Marion county

town-a coup that would have excited

the envy of the Third Napoleon had that unfortunate descendant of the

"Little Corporal" been alive. It's not a ong story, but there's meat in every

line. Some time ago, Mr. McMechen and certain associates bought the Fairmont electric light plant. Likewise, they acquired a franchise for building a street railway through the streets of the city. The Wheeling man proceeded to organise his company, and was making great progress when he learned, to his surprise and superfaction, that through

prise and stupefaction, that throug someone's fault the street railway fram

Fighting.

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al proficiency.

The athletic features of the picnic consisted of a base ball game between the school and a picked team, titled the "Has Beens," and bleycle and foot races. The students won the ball game, score \$ 10.5. The batteries were O'Hare and Gilhooly for the school; Gundling and Corcoran, for the "Has Beens" immediately. The committee on credentials had practically nothing to do, except to rule that proxies be admitted.

The committee on permanent organization decided to make the temporary organization permanent. Emmelt Showalter announced that he would submit a minority report, naming Sen-Worley, of Preston, as chalrman, but later he withdrew from this position, and said the apposition to Dayton would not object to Temporary Chair-man Jeffers occupying the chair-manently. The vote in the committee was 6 to 2, six countles not being rep-

committee on resolutions chose Harrison, of Mineral, chairman, W. E. Glasscock, of Monongalia, etary. A red hot anti-civil service People a Thing or Two-A Street Railway Started Between Two plank was proposed by a member of the committee on resolutions, but it was too advanced for the committee, which rejected it by a decisive vote.

R. M. A.

DAYTON THE NOMINEE.

He Won on the First Ballot With Nearly as Many Votes as He Had Predicted — Strong Resolutions Adopted-N. G. Keim Chosen Presidential Elector.

From a Staff Correspo

TERRA ALTA, W. Va., June 28,-The afternoon session of the convention, called for 1:30 o'clock, opened nearly on The committee on permanent organization reported a recommendation that the temporary organization be permanent.

The committee on credentials reported no contests and that all delegates and proxies be authorized to cast the vote of their respective counties. The vote of their respective counties. representation was reported as follows:

Barbour, 16; Berkeley, 25; Grant, 13; Hampshire, 7; Hardy, 5; Jefferson, 13; mampshire, 7; Hardy, 5; Jefferson, 12; Marlon, 34; Mineral, 15; Monongalia, 27; Morgan, 11; Pendleton, 8; Preeton, 35; Randolph, 14; Taylor, 15; Tucker, 13; total, 254; necessary for choice, 12; The committee on order of business reported: First nomination of candi-date for Congress; second, nomination of candidate for readlantial chain.

date for Congress; second, nomination of candidate for presidential elector.

Nominating Speeches.

Nominating speeches were next in order, and Frank Cox, of Monongalia, presented the name of Alston Gordon persented the name of Alston Gordon Dayton in an eloquent five minute speech. The speaker's word-picture of the condition of the country four years ago, compared with the present Republican era of prosperity was most effective. A delegate most irrelevantly replied, "Hurrah for Freer," and even Mr. Cox smiled. Many pretty figures of speech were spring by the speaker, and chests were frequent. Soldier and sallor, the President and members of Congress were culogized for services to country in the Spanish war. In the midst of the speaker's eloquence there were cries of "time," and his voice was drowned in the aproar, but Mr. Cox managed to make it known that he was presenting the name of "Alston Gordon Dayton, the man who stood behind the President." Cheers and yells for Dayton followed Mr. Cox's great speech. W. H. Wentz, of Barbour, seconded Dayton's nomination eloquently.

W. D. Lindsey, of Berkeley, one of the eastern Pan Handle's brilliant young Republicans, presented the name of U. S. G. Pitzer. There was quite a demonstration for Pitzer.

Showalter Names Meredith. Dayton in an eloquent five minute mesday night, and just as the midnight hour was rung in and Fairmont was thoroughly asleep, the "dagoes" gave a yell and started up the street on a run. Reaching the street where the track was to be laid, the laborers began a merry "rat-tat-tat" with pick and shovel on the brick paying, and soon the Fairmonters were tumbling out of bed and assembling to witness this strangs scene in real life, staring in openmouthed wonder at McMechen and Haslett and their savage hords, and rapidly reaching the conclusion that their town was dead-sure to have a street railway system in the not distant ruture.

Showalter Names Meredith.

Grant county yielded to Marion, and District Attorney Emmett M. Showalstreet railway system in the not distant future.

Strange to say, none of the opposition company people got wind of this midnight incursion upon their franchise-bound preserves.

Five o'clock found the track located in the disputed district, the brick paving neatly piled, and the street in nearly as good condition as the night before. At 6 o'clock, the opposition folks breakfasted upon the disagreeable and indigestible situation that confronted them, and for dessert indulged in injunction talk, but there was no judge at hand, and so far nothing in the legal line hus been attempted. ter placed in nomination Judge Winfield ter placed in nomination suage "MarScott Meredith, of Marion county. Mr.
Showalter received an ovation when he
arose to speak. His tribute to Judge
Meredith was graceful and eloquent,
and the mention of the judge's name
brought out the gracest enthusiasm yet
evinced. Marion county, he promised,
would give Scott Meredith 500 majority.
The demonstration for Meredith was
renewed when Showalter concluded his
effective speech.

A. J. Welton of Grant county, seconded the nomination of Judge Meredith. His appreciation of his candidate
was concine, well worded and well delivered. "Time" cut short his speech,
however, notwithstanding his entreaty
for "one more word," which the Dayton shouters would not allow.

H. W. Bayer, of Morgan county, seconded Pitzer's nomination, and claimed Morgan county two years ago gave Scott Meredith, of Marion county. Mr.

H. W. Bayer, of Morgan county, Seconded Plizer's nomination, and claimed Morgan county two years ago gave the entire Republican majority for Dayton in the district. "It was a hard job," yelled a delegate, amid laughter. Randoth county seconded the nomination of Dayton, amid theers.
C. P. Guard, of Grafton, in a gracefully delivered five-minute speech presented the name of Judge John Homer Holt, of Taylor county. His candidate would "storm the ramparts of the enemy in November, as Roosevolt storm.

Holt, of Taylor county. His damate would "storm the ramparts of the enemy in November, as Roosevelt stormed the heights of San Juan." (Cheers.)

W. S. Thompson, a colored delegate, from Tucker county, seconded the non-ination of Daylon. The greatest enthusiasm of the entire convention followed Thompson's speech. Following this demonstration there were observations from the wise ones, the burden of which was. "It's Daylons isn't It?"

The ballot was ordered, but a delegate from Taylor moved that no county be allowed to change its vote until the roll of the counties is completed. Emmett Showalter objected, and the motion was withdrawn.

A delegate from Grant county created some confusion by disavowing for his part the union between Marion and Grant counties on Meredith, and said dramatically that he was for Daylon first, last and all the time. This announcement was received with cheers.

The Only Ballot.

BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW, harleston... GREENWOOD, 6:39 a. m. arkersburg H. K. HEDFORD, 10:39 a. m. evport..... LEWEL, 11 a. m. steraville... RUTH, 3:29 p. m. larington... LEROY, 2:39 p. m. eubenville. T. M. BAYNE, 2:39 p. m.

The ballot was then called. Barbour's sixteen for Dayton enthused the following of the congressman, and a counter demonstration ensued when Barkeley ing of the congression, and demonstration ensued when Berkeley came up smillog with her twenty-five for Pitzer. Grant was called, but answered not. Hampshire and Hardy went solid for Dayton, seven and five respectively, and then came Jefferson with thirteen for Dayton. The Meredith men had their first chance to enthuse when Marion plugged in her solid thirty-four for their candidate, the first yotes he had received. Mineral, like Grant, declared her unreadlness to vote, but Monongalla sent the Dayton stock away up with twenty-seven solid votes. Morgan edged in with eleven for Grant Pitzer, and the fellows from the eastern Pan Handle had a chance to enthuse. Pendleton divided her vote between Dayton and Meredith and nobody shouted. Preston was called, but a scrap was on in this large delegation and it was parsed. Randolph stuck in her solid fourteen for Dayton. Taylor voted her all for Pavorite Son Holt, and Tucker went to Dayton for all she was worth, thirteen.

Totals ... 251 168 88 Mr. Keim thanked the convention and said: "At the proper time! I will case short of the 128 necessary to mominate. The word was passed around that Dayton 800 182, and while Grant and Minoral and not voted it was conceded he had the majority of Presion's 25, and while Grant and Minoral had not voted it was known they were for Dayton if he needed the votes but that they would rather divide their votes if it was shown Dayton didn't need them. As it turned out, they were not needed. Preston finally announced.

her vote, 254 for Dayton, 34 for Holt, one for Holt and two for Meredith. In an instant the fast boys with figures were passing out the information that Dayton was nominated, having 129 votes, without any from Grant or Minvotes, without any from Grant of ante-eral. The chairmen of these latter delegations announced their divided votes with suspicious quickness after it, was seen their solid votes for Dayton were not needed.

Dayton Nominated.

When the Preston vote went practically solid for Dayton and gave him the nomination the scene changed from ornomination the scene changes from the dinary convention disorder to one of the wildest enthusiasm. The cheering continued for several minutes and the band added to the demonstration.

After an effort of several minutes, Emmett Showalter got the floor and

yeiled above the uproar;
"I demand a poli of the vote of Pres-

"I demand a poll of the vote of Preston county.
"We'll hear from Grant county first," replied the chair, and the Dayton people yelled forth their satisfaction with the chair's decision.
Grant then voted 6 for Dayton, 1 for Pitzer and 1 for Meredith, and Mineral followed with I for Dayton, 4 for Pitzer and 4 for Meredith, Judge Holt being left out in the cold in this distribution of the honors.

Secretary Holt then announced the vote, but a delegate from Preston interrupted, stating that he had voted for Pitzer and that it had not been recorded. The correction was made, giving

ed. The correction was made, giving Dayton just the number to nominate, 128, without Grant and Mineral. The ballot in detail was as follows: Dete Day Pit-M're-

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After the Changes.

Then came a number of changes Taylor desrting Holt and giving her eighteen to Dayton, and Preston got together again and the two Meredith men went over to Dayton. The ballot, after all changes had been made, was

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On all sides there were motions to make the nomination of Dayton unanimous, and the motion went through with a general hurrah. A committee

with a general nurran. A committee was named to wait on Mr. Dayton and escort him to the hall, and then Secre-tary W. E. Glasscock, of the committee on resolutions, read the following re-port, which was received with frequent

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The Republicans of the Second congressional district in convention assembled, hereby ratily, confirm and adopt the declaration of principles of the platform of the national Republican convention of fylladelphia, and pledge ourselves to promote the same, and use all honorable means to thesure the election of McKinley and Rooseveld.

We comparatilate the Republican party of West Virginia upon the fact that it has placed the state in the Republican column, and we hereby pledge ourselves to use our best efforts to keep it there. West Virginia coal is now being carried to the uttermest parts of the carth. Weat Virginia wil lights the world, and West Virginia timber is in demand everywhere, all through the beneficent legislation of the Republican party.

ne wise, economical and satisfactor; tate administration of Governor Atkin

state administration of Governor Akunson.

We hereby piedge ourselves to support the Republican nominees for the Fresidency and vice Presidency, and all the Republican nominees of our state.

We hereby commend the Hon. A. G. Dhyton upon the ability and success he has attained in Congress, and congratulate this district upon having so able a representative.

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were looking to an extension of said system.

We enter upon the campaign with renewed zeal and energy, inscribing upon our banner. Progress, Prosperity and Victory, having redeemed every pelder, given to the Nation a financial standing unequalled by any country on earth, made every dollar, gold, silver and paper, worth one hundred cents, and secured prepared in another than the second of the second control of the s

Presidential Elector.

The nomination of a presidential elector was next in order, and Col. W. H. Mable, of Elkins, placed before the cor Mable, of Easter, portion the name of N. G. Keim, vention the name of N. G. Keim,

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crowd assembled outside and heard one of Mr. Dayton's characteristic speeches, in the course of which he extended his warmest thanks for the honor the Second district Republicans had once more bestowed upon him.

He was followed by Judges Meredith and Holt and Mr. Pitzer, who pleaged the nominee their loyal support in the approaching campaign. Each speaker was given a warm reception, and good feeling regined supreme.

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This afternoon Terra Alta is rapidly losing her 600 or more convention visitors. The eastern Pan Handle crowd got away at 4:20, and the delegates from the western and southern sections of the district left on the 5 oclock train for the west. The mountain-top town has never had so large an event in its midst, and the hotel facilities, while good, were inadequate, and nearly every private home was thrown open to the entertainment of convention visitors.

R. M. A.

FIRST TEST OF STRENGTH

Between the Dayton and Opposition Forces-Victory for Former.

From a Staff Correspondent.
TERRA ALTA, W. Va., June 28.—
The first test of strength of the day be-

the Dayton people, but it was only a
preliminary skirmish, and was not accounfed of great importance.

Edilor J. M. Holt, of Grafton, was
chosen secretary of the convention.

R. M. A.

THOS. E. DAVIS FOR SENATE.

Republicans of the Eleventh Senatorial District Make an Excellent Nomination at Terra Alta-Senator Elkins Endorsed.

m a Staff Correspondent

TERRA ALTA, W. Va., June 28.-The Republicans of the Eleventh senatorial listrict, in convention assembled here this morning, made a strong and most excellent nomination for the state senate, in the person of Hon. Thomas E. ate, in the person of Bon. Homes.

Davies, of Grafton, who stands high in his community and in the councils of the Republican party of the state. He was the party's nominee for governor in 1892. Although the Republican majority in the district is between 3,000

and 4,000, and "any old candidate" would win, the convention acted wisely in naming the strongest man available.

would win, the convention acted wisely in naming the strongest man available. Mr. Davis, who had "never failer; and he countly in the district.

The convention was called to order by Chairman Frank Cox. of Monongalia, at 10 o'clock. Who announced exsenator W. G. Worley, of Preston, as chairman, and Frank Bailey, of Taylor, as secretary. In taking the chair, Senator Worley warmly thanked the convention, and paid a glowing tribute to the stalwart Republicanism of the three great Republican counties making up the Eleventh district. More important than all eles in West Virginia this year politically is the election of a Republican legislature, and for this reason this convention is not less important than the congressional gathering.

The temporary organization was made permanent, the appointment of committees was dispensed with.

Possecuting Attorney Ira Robinson, of Grafton, arose and placed in nomination Hon. Thomas E. Davis, of Taylor, and the nomination of a candidate for the state senate was proceeded with.

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the civil war and had always good and in, the councils of his party, 'was received with enthusiasm. The motion of J. M. Gregge of Monongalia, that Davis' nomination be made unanimous, went through with a hurrah.

Mr. Davis was loudly called for and received a fine evation. He said:

Senator Davis' Talk.

"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Convention:-I may not be able to fully express my feelings, but I can at least thank you, and assure you that I highly thank you, and assure you that I nighty appreciate the honor you have conferred upon me to-day, by your annahmous endorsement as your candidate for state senator. I appreciate the compilment more, because it comes from warm personal and political friends. I have been associated with most of you for many years in politics and business; that you now have sufficient confidence in me to repose in me this high trust, gives me pleasure that I cannot express in words and can only say I will try not to disappoint you.

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"To my good friends in Monongain county, who are booming and developing their towns and county, and who are intersets so largely in the chief educational institution of our state, let, me say that I concede to no man in the state any greater interest in general and higher education than myself. No state can hope to succeed, and indeed no state should succeed, which does not support a thorough and liberal system of education. There are many things which make me proud of my native state, but nothing more so than the liberal system of public education; and one of my greatest regrets is that I had not the advantage and opportunity of this magnificent system of our public schools which my younger friends have to-day. The Republican party has done much for West Virginia; but, perhaps, next taccreating the state, its greatest and most enduring work is the splendid

system of free schools which it inaugurated.

"To my friends in Preston, who ask for nothing except the privilege of elelies two thousand Republican majority, what shall I say? A county with so much fertile soil: such wealth of minerals and unbroken forests, inhabited by a people ever overflowing with patriotism; a people who could not be happy unless working for, and voting the Republican ticket; to you, my friends of Preston, I say you shall have due consideration, and your interests as tax-payers carefully guarded.

"And to you, gentlemen of Taylor, who have been hyn neighbors all my life, and who know me better than others, let me say I appreciate the compliment when you say you are willing

pliment when you say you are willing to confer this honor upon me. And w to confer this ponor upon me. And we can best show our devotion to the Republican party, my friends from Taylor, by making our unjority so large at the election this fall, that there will be no danger of being cheated our of it by a partisan legislature, or by a blue pencil. (Cheers.)

Condition of the Country.

"When we look at the condition of the country at present, and compare it with its condition under Democratic

TERRA ALTA, W. Va., June 28.—
The first test of strength of the day between the Dayton and anti-Dayton forces came at the meeting of the congressional committee, held in the town hall at 9 o'clock this morning. The Dayton people had selected for temporary chairman Tracy L. Jeffers, of Jefferson county, formerly of Washington City, while the Meredith-Holt-Pitzer people favored ex-Senator Wm. G. Worley, of Preston. Of the committee's membership of fifteen, cleven were present, Congressional Chairman C. F. Teter, of Philipph, presiding, Those present were: J. T. Paulding, of Berkeley: L. J. Foreman. of Grant, M. F. Hall, of Barbour; J. A. Loy, of Hampshire: G. H. Child, of Jefferson, W. W. Scott, of Ma. Loy, C. H. W. Bayer, of Morgan; J. W. Flynn, of Priston, N. G. Keim, of Randolph T. E. Javis, of Taylor.

Mr. Child presental the name of Mr. Jeffers for temporary chairman, and Mr. Scott named Senator Worley.

Mr. Jeffers won, to the tune of seven to four, as follows:

Jeffers—Paulding, Foreman. Hall, Loy, Child, Fitch, Keim; total, 4.

This was a straight-out victory for the Dayton people, but it was only a preliminary skirmish, and was not accounted of great importance.

The Conditions of the country Ars such, especially in West Virginia, with millions of dollars coming into our state: with still brighter prospect ahead, that any Republican (and 4 should include Democrat), that cannot vote the Republican ticket this fall, should be—well, I well let him off oasy and say, at deast, sent to the reform school at Pruntytown; and it does seem to me that no one can consistently ask for a change, unless it be the professional politician. But, my friends, take no risks, and siect the Republican ticket from head to bottom. You know the importance of holding West Virginis, especially the legislature, which will be one of the mest important in the history of your state. You not only have a Republican United States senator at stake, but the pre-districting of your state on a fair basis, but not as at present constituted, which requires fee thousand majority to secure a Republican legislature. I happened to be in the senate when our Democratic friends were so magnanimous in giving us the present district with such a handenma printy, and made it so easy for list candidate; still, I voted against the bill because it was unfair and one of the rankest pieces of legislation every passed by a legislature in the state."

Senator Elkins Endorsed.

Mr. Cox, of Monongalia, presented the following resolution, endorsing Senator Elkins for re-election, which was

passed unanimously:
Resolved. That we heartly endered
the wise, statesmanlike and pariode
course of the Hon, Stephen B. Eiklins in
his acts in the senate of the United
States. He has reflected credit on him

so ably fills, and we herely instruct of state senators and representatives in the state legislature to promote his re-election by their acts and votes.

Resolvd. That we recommend to the Republican state convention to meetal the city of Charleston, on July 11, 190, the name of William E. Ginsscock of Monongalia county, as the membr of the state executive committee from this senatorial district.

The following senatorial committee was chosen:

Monongalia—Frank Cox.
Preston—John Pierce.
Thylor-J. G. St. Clair.
The convention adjourned at 19:25, after a session of thirty minutes.

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Parkersburg H. K. BEDFORD, 11 a. m. Pittsburgh., GREENWOOD, 10 a. m. Pittsburgh., LORENA, 5 a. m. Slatersville., RUTH. 3-20 p. m.

Pittsburgh...AVALON. 5 a.m. Parkersburg. BEN HUR. 11 a.m. Sistersville...RUTH. 2:30 p.m. Clarington...LEROY, 2:59 p.m. Sieubehville..T. M. BAYNE, 2:30 p.m.

BOATS LEAVING TO-MORROW

Along the Landing. The marks at 6 p. m. Thursday were 3 feet 8 inches and rising. Weather,

River Telegrams.

OIL CITY-River 7 inches and sta-lonary. Weather, clear and pleasant. WARREN-River .3 of a foot and alling. Weather, heavy showers and

warm.
GREENSBORO—River 8 feet 2 inches
and stationary. Weather, cloudy and
sool. Rainfall, 1.12 inches.
BROWNSVILLE—River 5 feet and

stationary
STEUHENVILLE—River 3 feet 1
inch and rising. Weather, clear and
warm. Lorena and Greenwood up.
PITTSBURGH—River 36 feet and
rising slowly. Weather, rain.

prion... LEROY. 3:39 p. m. enville..T. M. BAYNE. 2:39 p. m. BOATS LEAVING TO-DAY.

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